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rise test is performed, the absolute pressure in the annular space of the loaded tank car may not exceed 75 microns of mercury at the beginning of the test and may not increase more than 25 microns during the 24-hour period; or

- (ii) Calculated heat transfer rate test. The insulation system must be performance tested as prescribed in §179.400-4 of this subchapter. When the calculated heat transfer rate test is performed, the absolute pressure in the annular space of the loaded tank car may not exceed 75 microns of mercury at the beginning of the test and may not increase more than 25 microns during the 24-hour period. The calculated heat transfer rate in 24 hours may not exceed:
- (A) 120 percent of the appropriate standard heat transfer rate specified in §179.401–1 of this subchapter, for DOT-113A60W and DOT-113C120W tank cars;
- (B) 122.808 joules (0.1164 Btu/day/lb.) of inner tank car water capacity, for DOT-113A175W tank cars;
- (C) 345.215 joules (0.3272 Btu/day/lb.) of inner tank car water capacity, for DOT-113C60W and 113D60W tank cars; or
- (D) 500.09 joules (0.4740 Btu/day/lb.) of inner tank car water capacity, for DOT-113D120W tank cars.
- (3) A tank car that fails a test prescribed in paragraph (e)(2) of this section must be removed from hazardous materials service. A tank car removed from hazardous materials service because it failed a test prescribed in paragraph (e)(2) of this section may not be used to transport a hazardous material unless the tank car conforms to all applicable requirements of this subchapter.
- (4) Each rupture disc must be replaced every 12 months, and the replacement date must be marked on the car near the pressure relief valve information.
- (5) Pressure relief valves and alternate pressure relief valves must be tested every five years. The start-to-discharge pressure and vapor tight pressure requirements for the pressure relief valves must be as specified in § 179.401–1 of this subchapter. The alternate pressure relief device values specified in § 179.401–1 of this subchapter for

a DOT-113C120W tank car apply to a DOT-113D120W tank car.

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§ 173.320 Cryogenic liquids; exceptions.

- (a) Atmospheric gases and helium, cryogenic liquids, in Dewar flasks, insulated cylinders, insulated portable tanks, insulated cargo tanks, and insulated tank cars, designed and constructed so that the pressure in such packagings will not exceed 25.3 psig under ambient temperature conditions during transportation are not subject to the requirements of this subchapter when transported by motor vehicle or railcar except as specified in paragraphs (a)(1), (a)(2), and (a)(3) of this section.
- (1) Sections 171.15 and 171.16 of this subchapter pertaining to the reporting of incidents, not including a release that is the result of venting through a pressure control valve, or the neck of the Dewar flask.
- (2) Subparts A, B, C, D, G and H of part 172, (§§ 174.24 for rail and 177.817 for highway) and in addition, part 172 in its entirety for oxygen.
- (3) Subparts A and B of part 173, and §§174.1 and 177.800, 177.804, and 177.823 of this subchapter.
- (b) The requirements of this subchapter do not apply to atmospheric gases and helium:
- (1) During loading and unloading operations (pressure rises may exceed 25.3 psig); or
- (2) When used in operation of a process system; such as a refrigeration system (pressure may exceed 25.3 psig).
- (c) For transportation aboard aircraft, see the ICAO Technical Instructions (IBR, see §171.7 of this subchapter), Packing Instruction 202 and the packaging specifications in part 6, chapter 5.

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